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TEEKs' soul on show at Opera House

Whanganui's most recognised venue, the Royal Whanganui Opera House, hosts one of New Zealand's most compelling modern soul voices, TEEKs, this **Saturday, 12 June 2021 from 7.30pm**.



The *TEEKs: Something To Feel* tour is in support of TEEKs' (Te Karehana Gardiner-Toi) recently-released debut album of the same name. *Something To Feel* is a collection of songs with a deep emotional content showcasing the artist's connection to whānau, heritage and Aotearoa New Zealand through the lens of te ao Māori.

If you're considering hosting an event locally, the team at Whanganui District Council's Venues & Events Ngā Wāhi Tū Me Ngā Whakaaturanga offer a wide range of options at three iconic venues – the Royal Whanganui Opera House, Whanganui War Memorial Centre and Cooks Gardens Event Centre.

A dedicated team of venue professionals including venue co-ordinators and technicians work across all three locations and can assist with all your function expectations, whether for 20 or 2000 guests.



Kiwi soul singer TEEKs showcases his debut album *Something To Feel* at the Royal Whanganui Opera House this Saturday, 12 June

For more information about the services and venues available from Whanganui Venues & Events, please call 06 349 0513 or visit: www.whanganuivenues.co.nz

Tickets for *TEEKs: Something To Feel* are available from the Royal Whanganui Opera House Box Office at 69 St Hill Street (open weekdays 10.00am-4.00pm) or by purchasing online via Ticketek at: bit.ly/3i803wu

Planned works

June 2021

Flood damage recovery (2017 storm event): Whangaehu Valley Road

Pavement road maintenance: Denlair Road, Longacre Road, Mangamahu Road, Mosston Road

Road remodelling: Ahu Ahu Valley Road, Creek Road, Mangamahu Road, Rangitatau Road, Watershed Road

Unsealed road grading: Kai Iwi area, Okoia area

Cyclepath works: Kowhai Park

Water table / culvert maintenance / high shoulder removal: Mangawhero Valley Road

Dog registration fees

10% discount applies before 31 July

Whanganui District Council is about to issue dog registration notices to all dog owners. Pay your fees on or by **Saturday, 31 July 2021** to qualify for a prompt payment discount of 10 percent.

The council is also introducing new responsible dog owner criteria from 31 July 2021. If you're a current responsible dog owner and pay your dog registration fees by 31 July, your responsible dog owner status will continue and you'll qualify for the annual dog registration discount. Any dog owner without responsible dog owner status after 31 July will need to meet updated guidelines under the council's new Dog Control Policy 2021.

Pay your dog registration fees by visiting: www.whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-registration

Engraved glass panels set for Taupo Quay bus shelters

Whanganui artist Claire Bell (pictured, with glass panel) has a second public artwork in the pipeline, with engraved glass panels set to be installed in the Intercity bus shelters on Taupo Quay this weekend. Glass panels engraved by the artist were installed in the Rangiora Street bus shelter in Castlecliff last year.

Claire Bell says the idea was "inspired by the race in Aesop's fable – my idea is that there are different kinds of visits to our city, fast and slow, and both kinds are enjoyable".

A blessing for the new bus shelter glass panels will be held at 23 Taupo Quay on **Saturday, 12 June at 2.00pm**. The artist will give a short talk about the engraved glass panels at UCOL following the opening.



Drews Ave / Rutland St intersection closure next week

The Drews Avenue / Rutland Street intersection and immediate area will be closed from **7.30am until 7.30pm on Sunday, 13 June and Tuesday, 15 June 2021** respectively for contractors to safely complete roadworks on the Drews Avenue streetscape project. No through access will be available in Drews Avenue between Taupo Quay and Ridgway Street or in Rutland Street on these dates.

The project is part of central government's Innovating Streets funding.

Please note that all businesses in Drews Avenue and Rutland Street will remain open during the work and vehicle access to businesses either side of the site will be available at all times.

A turn-around bay will be in place in Rutland Street to redirect traffic away from the worksite. Alternative routes will be available via Victoria Avenue or Market Place and detour signs will be in place. For more information, please call Whanganui District Council on 06 349 0001 and ask for the Infrastructure team.

Gonville Library event

Tea and Topics talk tomorrow

Gonville Library is joining forces with Age Concern Whanganui for its Tea and Topics talk tomorrow, **Thursday, 10 June 2021**. Michelle Malcolm of Age Concern will outline the range of services, information and support the organisation can offer older people to remain independent for as long as possible. This event will also highlight World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on Tuesday, 15 June 2021.

Tea and Topics will be held at Gonville Library, 44 Abbot Street, from **10.00am-12 noon** (light refreshments from 10.00am – presentation starts at 10.30am). For more information, please call 06 344 5872 or email Kat Schroyens at: kat@whanganuilibrary.com

i-SITE one-day closure

Visitor centre closed on 16 June

Please note that the Whanganui i-SITE Visitor Information Centre at 31 Taupo Quay will be closed for a staff training day next **Wednesday, 16 June 2021**. For more information, call 0800 92 64 26 or email: info@visitwhanganui.nz

Rabbit baiting

Rotokawau Virginia Lake

Rabbit bait (Pindone) will be in approved bait stations at the Virginia Road end of Rotokawau Virginia Lake **until Friday, 9 July 2021**. Signs will be in place at nearby lake entrances during the control operation.

IT'S DOG REGO TIME...

SNOOZE AND YOU LOSE!

Pay your dog registration by **SATURDAY, 31 JULY** and get a **10% DISCOUNT!**
Pay online at: www.whanganui.govt.nz/pay-dog-registration

